

PROGRESSING PENSACO

The motto, "Progressing Pensa la," is also a fact. Only the menally blind can fail to see it. The physically blind can perceive it in

It is but a few days mee the contractors placed the first of the steel that will soon be part of the dden skeleton of the ten-story Ameran National Bank building. This building; now in course of construc-tion, together with the City Hall, Osclub, Blount Building, Blount d Keyser homes on the bayshore, Fisher's new home on North Hill, Brent Building, First National Bank and other signs of immediate or nt improvements, all call to mind words-I believe Grosvenor awe's-adopted by the Montgomery inercial club-"cities do not grow: they are built."

There are city builders a-plenty in sacola, and their work does not There are men-and women too. God bless them-who do not falter lose heart, whom neither hard times nor croaking appear to deter, whom delay, instead of enervating. appears only to stimulate. Such men and women are the builders of any great city, and they are here-some ative, some imported, and all of them a part of the wonderful natural recommunity that vitalizing force



G. A. WATERMAN. finest natural advantages into modern

Progress Noticeable. On every hand the dispassionate ob- this truth:

advocate more convincingly the "nat. hoo-doo. ural advantages."

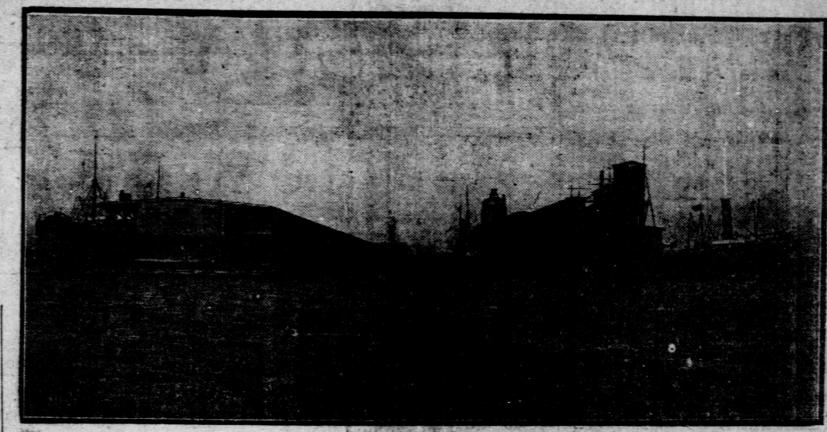
except disgrace his family and eke out a miserable existence. He had Progressiveness a Fact. natural advantage. A lad in Pensaman in his party, I believe, who com- tion. manded the full respect of antagonists as well as friends.

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Natural Advantage never blew a bank safe and put money in the pock-Just here let me say a few words et of a man who lottered on a street about natural advantages. One of the corner waiting for "something to turn most remarkable musical talents I up." The Dutch forced the ocean

"Progressive Pensacola" is a fact cola made himself a bani; out of a despite those who only see the natucigar box. Today he is financially ral advantages, and do nothing; desuccessful and is well known in the spite those who, failing to even permusical world as a teacher of note ceive, croak and tend to keep others and a pioneer in the exposition of the from seeing. "Progressive Pensacola" wonders of the banjo. He had natur is a fact, because of those who do ral advantages. One of the most in see and appreciate the natural advancisive, keen and capable minds I tages at their real worth, and by efever knew was in the brain of a man fort, turn opportunity into accom-who betrayed every trust I ever knew plishment. These latter, the proghim to hold and died a pauper-not ress makers are divisible into two only penniless but friendles: Yet he great camps, the material prosperity had abundant natural advantage. An makers in "practical affairs" and the other man whom I knew had no gen- sentiment makers, that produce on ius, yet stood in his day a out at the personal profits but which, neverthe-head of the bar in Louisians—the one less, are profitable beyond estima-

The men and women who called What, in view of the comparison life laid the corner-stone of a great between man's mind and "natural adstructure. To the products of their vantages," what do these four men first year's work with the children in I have cited serve to illustrate, if not field and garden can be attributed The man who years ago said: "No the enthusiasm which more than one fence nor curbing around my house, rces, for they put into the life of server sees progress. True, there The value of a natural advantage man has in the last year given to the are the knockers, but there are the depends on what man does with it, for question of developing the "back h alone can transform even the boosters, too, and they grow more a "natural advantage" is only a spec- country." The women of the revivi-



COMMANDENCIA AND TARRAGON A STREET WHARVES OF THE LOUISVILLE & NASHVILLE.

the School Improvement league into life laid the corner-stone of a great brothers and sons, and in some cases, energize their laggard inclinations. was laughed at when cows got on his lawn on North Hill, but this pioneer sees fences coming down today all over North Hill. The man who show-ed how beautiful an East Hill property woods and watersheds," says Hugh usual heretofore in this state, but this could be made with a little intelligent care, has disciples today all over ginia Conservation commission. "The spread. Two human lives were lost town, and finds himself in rather constant demand as a local Luther Burbank. Even the men who have long stood for sidewalk improvement find today the community approving, while the resentful restlessness of the whole

> at the leash of temporary handicap. The First Steps Taken. Pensacola is progressing. The first real steps have been taken, and the

spirit is strong. record the opening of bids for what ment, a modern half-million dollar hotel: that a splendid new ten-story mercial house in the world has openad southern headquarters here in the

WEST VIRGINIA

relationship between denuded mound in the fires.

office building is in course of con- There were losses in manufactured to be seen. Before sunset the snow struction and that the greatest com- lumber, tanbark, building and other was gone and the leaves were burnimprovements amounting to \$490,175. ing.
This year there was an unusually "Large tracts of land on the high state. Those losses total up to \$5.097.- was much mineral soil. worked for great ends are still work-ing, and new recruits are in the ranks the state and individuals for fire fight-formed a covering in the right title of this city on the sea amount which county treasuries and soils of that kind were companies are reported to have spent destroyed.

to suppress fires was only \$646; individuals and companies are reported

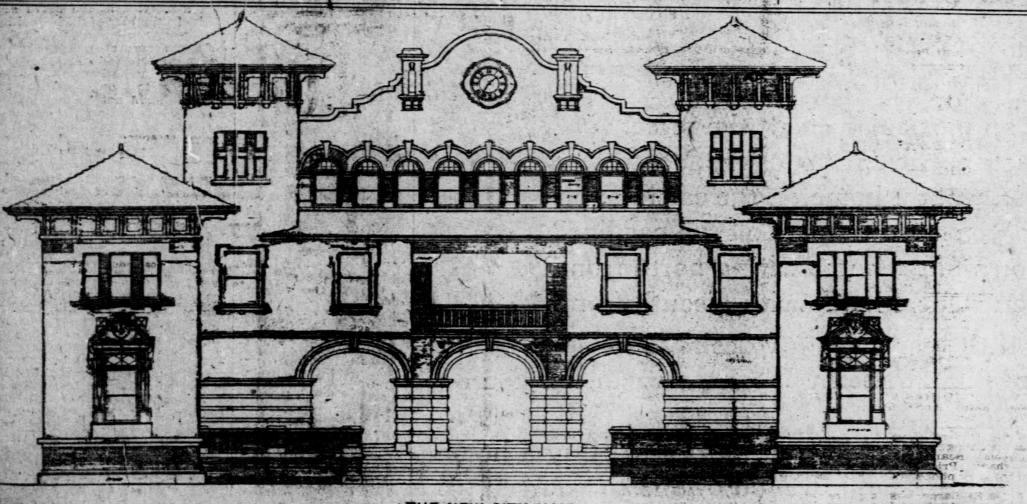
to have spent about \$89,000. "The injury to the soil from fire was much more severe this season in West Virginia than ever before, not "The upprecedented destruction alone because the burned area was this season by forest fires in West larger than in any former year, but Virginia has called the attention of also for the reason that excessive drythe people, as never before, to the ness exposed the humus to a greater Maxwell, chairman of the West Vir- season they were common and wide-

tains and floods is better understood "The mountain people fought fires than formerly, and the problem of a in the past, when they fought at all. future timber supply has ceased to by raking the leaves and sticks from be a question for academic discussion.

"Every one of the 55 counties had back firing. That method failed this people over paving delay due to a one or more fires, some being small year. Fires crossed the lanes by legislative error in wording shows and spreading through a few woodlots that the spirit of progress is tugging only, others covering more than 50. face and starting up on the further one-fifth of the wooded area of the state. Timber burned amounted to more than 943,500,000 feet, board starting up on the fires burned so deeply in the human that an unusual phenomenon was presented when a snowfall came early in November. The snow apparently extinguished the fires, but When one bears in mind that a new measure, about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will measure, about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will measure, about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will measure, about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will measure, about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure, about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure, about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure will be the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguished the measure about 3 per cent of the entry extinguish record the opening of bids for what of the output of all the saw-mills of and were soon spreading again. I means, in city building and equip- West Virginia in 1907. West Virginia in 1907.

"Money losses were heavy. The In the morning the snow in the woods value of timber burned was \$2,903,500. was two inches deep and no fire was

last few weeks; that well-informed heavy damage to the undergrowth and mountains were denuded of soil down men are fairly confident that the next soil, and this has been placed at one to the rocks. Over much of the area of progress—when one bears these ing form an interesting contrast to gave anchorage to the roots of the things in mind, can he doubt that the loss of more than \$5,000.000. The forest trees. Over extensive tracts



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